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U.S. Promises Cuba Flag Inquiry

HAVANA, Feb. 22 (UPI) The United States has agreed to investigate the disappearance of flags from the four Cuban fishing vessels caught fishing in U.S. territorial waters, the Foreign Ministry announced last night.

A Foreign Ministry statement said Emil Stadelhofer, Swiss Ambassador to Cuba, had informed Foreign Minister Raul Roa that the Cuban flags would be returned promptly if located. The Swiss embassy handles U.S. affairs in Cuba.

The Foreign Ministry said the U.S. assurance of intention to return the Cuban flags had created the conditions for a satisfactory end to the fishing boat incident.